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Via DHL Express

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Re: Memorandum of Agreement Among the Surface Transportation Board,
the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the Pennsylvania Historical
and Museum Commission and Norfolk Southern Railway Company
Regarding Docket No. AB-167 (Sub-No. 1095X), Consolidated Rail
Corporation - Abandonment Exemption - Lancaster and Chester Counties,
Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Brady:

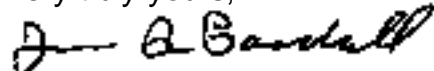
I thank you for your work on the revised extended memorandum of agreement for this matter, for your handling of the process and for reminding me of the comment date. Since Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NSR) is in accord with the renewed and extended draft, NSR has no substantive comment on the draft. NSR finds the renewed and extended MOA appropriate, satisfactory, in line with the prior agreement and suitable as an extended agreement. Nonetheless, I should have made some timely response to confirm our concurrence rather than not commenting and leaving you to assume we had no objection. Therefore, I apologize for not getting this to you on or before Monday. I thank all of the signatories for their patience and co-operation in handling the extended agreement. In summary, this extension was made necessary because of my request to shorten the duration of the previous agreement, which did not work out as I originally thought it would, for reasons you described in the revised MOA and have been referenced in previous correspondence. This renewed and extended MOA will permit us to proceed with and conclude the project as originally planned and agreed upon.

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As you know, NSR has engaged ASC Group, Inc. (whose representative has been Susan Peters) to do the work set forth in the MOA so that we can complete this project as promptly as now possible. ASC is a qualified historian chosen from the Pennsylvania SHPO's list of qualified historians. We expect ASC to complete the project this year, not three years into the future. Nonetheless, I concur that a three-year term for the agreement is appropriate in view of our experience with the previous shortened term.

I realize that Ms. Rutson's letter of May 24, 2007 set a comment date of June 25, 2007 and stated that a final draft will be sent for signature. While I may be ahead of the schedule, under the circumstances, I believe that the draft renewed and extended MOA is likely to remain as drafted. Anticipating this, I enclose four executed copies of the MOA. I also send executed copies to the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation and the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. If this is premature and the Board circulates another final draft, under the assumption that this further final draft remains the same or substantially the same as the current draft, NSR will be prepared to promptly execute and return that draft as well. Of course, if there is anything else to be done with respect to the drafting and handling of the extended MOA or its execution and implementation, please let me know.

Very truly yours,



James R. Paschall

enclosure
cc w/ executed copies

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